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# *MARYLAND GAZETTE,*

*Containing the freſheſt Advices foreign and domeſtic.*

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AS our preſent Conteſt with the *French* on the Continent of *America* has juſtly excited the Attention of the Public, I deſire, by your Means, to lay before them a brief Account of ſome former Tranſactions relating to our Settlements there, the Right on which they were founded, the Encroachments of the *French*, and the Propoſals that were made for preventing what has happened. I hope that the preſent Miniſtry, when they find themſelves diſtreſſed by the Negligence of their Predeceſſors, will, for the Sake of Poſterity, diſcharge their Truſt with greater Diligence and Fidelity.

*Sebaſtian Cabota*, in the Year 1497, by the Commiſſion, and at the Expence of King *Henry* VII. of *England*, diſcovered all the Coaſt of *America* fronting the atlantic Ocean, from Latitude 28 to 56 North, 20 Years before any other *European* had viſited that Continent.

King *Charles* I. granted to Sir *Robert Heath*, his Attorney General, a Patent of all that Part of *America*, from the River *St. Matthæo*, in Lat. 30, to the River *Paſſo Magno*, in Lat. 36, extending Eaſt and Weſt, from the atlantic Ocean to the South Sea, *not then being in the actual Poſſeſſion of any Chriſtian Prince or State.*

Sir *Robert Heath* convey'd the Premiſes to Lord *Mattravers*, who was afterwards Earl of *Arundel*, and who planted ſeveral Parts of the Country.

In the Protectorate of *Cromwell*, one *Watts*, afterwards knighted by King *Charles* II. touched on the Coaſt, where he found an *Engliſhman* who had been ſhipwrecked, and was become a Favourite with one of the *Indian* Potentates, who ſoon after ſent an Embaſſador to *England*, offering Settlements and a free Trade.

Several ſubſequent Diſcoveries were made by the *Engliſh*; and about the Year 1698, ——— *Cox*, Eſq; who was then Proprietor of *Carolina*, having employed many Perſons at his own Expence in making farther Diſcoveries by Land to the Weſt, North, and South of that Province, fitted out two Veſſels on the ſame Errand, and furniſhed them alſo with Materials and Artificers to build Forts, and ſettle a Colony.

On board theſe Veſſels, beſides Mariners, Artificers, Soldiers, and private Adventurers, there were 30 Voluntiers of Diſtinction, many of them being Noblemen, and the reſt Gentlemen of Family and Fortune.

One of theſe Veſſels diſcovered the ſeven Mouths of the great River *Meſchacebe*, called by the *French Miſſiſippi*, aſcended it above One hundred Miles, and would have made a Settlement if the Captain of the other Veſſel had not infamouſly neglected his Duty, and deſerted his Aſſociates; however, what they could do without his Aſſiſtance they did, they took Poſſeſſion of the Country in the King's Name, leaving the Arms of *Great Britain*, as a Memorial of their Right, affixed on Boards and Trees in many Places. And this was at that Time publicly atteſted to be the firſt Veſſel that ever entered the River from the Sea, and from whoſe Diſcoveries the firſt perfect Deſcription of it was given, in Contradiction and Defiance of the *French*, who had falſely and inſolently aſſumed the Honour of both.

When the Veſſel returned, Mr. *Cox* preſented a Memorial of her Voyage to King *William*. Upon this Occaſion his Majeſty was pleaſed to call a general Council, before whom he ordered the Memorial to be read: All who were preſent were unanimouſly of Opinion, with the King, that the Settlement of the Province ought to be encouraged: Many Preparations were made for this Purpoſe, in which ſeveral Noblemen and Merchants concurred; particularly Lord *Londſdale*, who offered a Ship of 200 Tons, and an hundred Artificers, with Tools and Implements; but the Death of this Nobleman, and of the King ſoon afterwards, prevented the Execution of the Deſign.

Upon the Death of King *William*, the Proprietor again applied for Aſſiſtance to carry the projected Settlement into Execution; but the War breaking out about the ſame Time, and the Attention of the Miniſtry being engroſſed by that Event, he found his Application diſregarded, and therefore gave it up, though not without repreſenting in very ſtrong Terms, that the moſt favourable Opportunity that could ever happen would be loſt by the Delay, and that whenever a Peace ſhould be concluded, the *French would endeavour to poſſeſs and ſettle the Country themſelves*, who then claimed the Lands South of the Great Lakes, notwithſtanding they had in the Beginning of the Reign of *James* II. been ſurrendered by the *Iroquois* and their Allies to the Crown of *England*.

At this Time the *Indians* of the Five Nations were our Friends, and not only aſſiſted us againſt the *French*, but invited us to build a Fort in the very *Heart of their Country*, and on their *main River*, inhabited by the moſt warlike Nation among them. The *French*, who had long deſpaired of gaining them over, had often attempted to extirpate the whole Race; and of this, Col. *Dungan*, who was appointed Governor of *New-York* by *James* II. was ſo ſenſible, that though a Papiſt, he ordered the popiſh Prieſts who were ſent into his Government to depart, becauſe, inſtead of making Converts to Popery, they laboured to betray our Colonies to the *French*.

The *French*, as their next Reſource, attempted to build Forts on the Coaſts, and narrow Paſſes of the Lakes and Great Rivers, that the *Indians* might be compelled to deſert the *Engliſh*, as the only Condition upon which the *French* would permit them to hunt; this Power however, they could not obtain, for the *Indians* either prevented the Erection of theſe Forts or demoliſhed them as faſt as they were built.

About the Year 1725, *Daniel Cox*, the Son of the Proprietor, publiſhed an Account of *Carolina*, in the Preface of which he obſerves, that if the *French* were permitted to eſtabliſh the Communication which they were known to have projected, between *Cape Breton* and the Gulph of the River *St. Lawrence*, as far as the *Miſſiſippi*, they would gain ſuch an Increaſe of Power from ſo great an Extent of Territory, as would greatly endanger our Northern Plantations, and eventually all the reſt of which they are the Barrier.

Mr. *Cox* alſo repreſented, that the Frontiers of our Colonies were large, naked and open, without Fort or Garriſon for near 2000 Miles; the Dwelling of the Inhabitants ſcattered, and our Colonies ſo divided in Situation, Intereſts, Views, and Manner of Government, that it was ſcarce poſſible for any conſiderable Body of Forces to be brought together on any Emergency, though the whole Intereſt of *Britain* on the Continent ſhould be at Stake. For as ſeveral of theſe Governments pretend extraordinary Privileges from former Grants of the Crown, it happens that when their Aſſiſtance is ſolicited by their Neighbours in imminent Danger they affect Delays, inſiſt upon Punctilios and Niceties, ſtart unreaſonable Objections, and make extravagant Demands, not conſidering that the Security of the Whole depends on the Security of every Part, and that he whoſe Neighbour's Houſe is on Fire cannot otherwiſe ſecure his own than by quenching it.

To obviate theſe Evils it was propoſed

1. That all the *Britiſh* Colonies in *North-America* be united under *one* legal and regular Eſtabliſhment, having over them one ſupreme Governor, who ſhall *reſide on the Spot*, and to whom the Governors of each Colony ſhall be ſubordinate. And

2. That two Deputies be annually elected by the Council and Aſſembly of each Province, who ſhall meet and form a Kind of general Council, and with the Approbation of the Governor ſettle all Quotas of Money, Men, and Proviſions, to be raiſed by each Province for the common Defence, the Governor to have a Negative, but not to enact without their Concurrence; and the Quotas ſo ſettled to be furniſhed as the particular Counſels ſhall think fit.

The *French* had then fixed and fortified the Territory on our Back Settlements remote from *Canada*, a Thouſand Miles, and it was then aſked, What would become of the Children who ſhould claim an Inheritance near their Parents and Friends, if our Plantations were ſtretched no farther back, and the *French* bounded them on all Sides? It was therefore urged, that while they were weak, and their Settlements in *Louſiania* were in their Infancy, we ſhould inſiſt on their retaining only *Canada* and *Cape Breton*, and on their abandoning their new Acquiſitions, which in future Time would inevitably be uſed as the Means of further Encroachments, and ſo a long Series of Uſurpation, which would be more eaſy at every Advance, would at length render them Maſters of the whole Continent; *For how*, ſays this Writer, *can we hope to ſucceed againſt them ſome Years hence, when they ſhall have augmented the Number of their Inhabitants, debauched the Natives to their Party, and farther ſtrengthened themſelves by ſecuring with Forts and Garriſons the Paſſes of the Rivers, Lakes, and Mountains.*

This Time is now arrived, and the Event has fulfilled the Prediction, to the indelible Diſgrace of thoſe who diſregarded it. What may yet be done I leave to the Wiſdom of others; but I hope that the Strength of our Enemies, which has been thus ſuffered to increaſe by the Negligence of former Adminiſtrations, will not become irreſiſtible by the Supineneſs of the preſent.

AMERICANUS.

To the KING's moſt excellent Majeſty.

*The humble Addreſs of the Archbiſhop, Biſhops, and Clergy, of the Province of* Canterbury, *in Convocation aſſembled.*

**May it pleaſe your Majeſty,**

*WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Archbiſhop, Biſhops, and Clergy, of the Province of* Canterbury, *in Convocation aſſembled, beg Leave to take this Opportunity of our being convened by your Royal Command, to repeat the moſt cordial Aſſurances of our inviolable Duty and Fidelity to your Sacred Perſon.*

*We have a ſtrong and grateful Senſe of the Happineſs we have enjoyed during the whole Courſe of your Majeſty's Reign; under which the Obedience of your Subjects, and particularly your faithful Clergy, has, by the Goodneſs of your Majeſty, been rendered a moſt eaſy Duty.*

*Your Majeſty has made the Laws and Conſtitution the Rule of your juſt and equal Government: And is never better pleaſed, than when the ſame Laws appear to be the Meaſure of your People's Loyalty.*

*The gracious Aſſurances, which your Majeſty has ſo often given, and ſo religiouſly obſerved, that you would ſupport the Church of* England, *as by Law eſtabliſhed, not only lay us under the higheſt Obligations to your Majeſty, but call upon us alſo to ſhew our Thankfulneſs to God for ſo great and powerful a Protector: And we are convinced how much it is incumbent upon us to demonſtrate to the World, by our Doctrine and Examples, that the Proteſtant Church of* England *has not its Equal, for the Purity of its Faith, the Wiſdom of its Conſtitution, the decent Regularity of its Worſhip, a ſteady and well grounded Zeal againſt the Corruptions of Popery, its Loyalty and Affection to its Governors, and Moderation and Candour to thoſe who have the Misfortune to diſſent from it.*

*Such is the Spirit of our Eſtabliſhment: And in forming our Conduct by it, we acquit ourſelves of our Duty to God, and to our Country, and render ourſelves as acceptable, as we are invariably faithful to your Majeſty, and your illuſtrious Houſe.*

*We ſee and lament the Depravity of our Times, evidenced beyond all former Examples, not only by flagitious*

*flagitious Actions, but by the Publication of Writings which ſtrike at the very Vitals of all Religion, and ſhake the Foundations of civil Government. We engage ourſelves to your Majeſty, that we will exert ourſelves to the utmoſt to maintain the Honour of our moſt Holy Faith, by inſtilling the Principles, and urging the great Motives of it upon the Conſciences of Men: By theſe Means doing all in our Power to preſerve the Peace and Proſperity of the Public, and ſtrengthen the Hands of the Magiſtrates in the Execution of thoſe good Laws, which have been formed with ſo much Wiſdom againſt Irreligion, Prophaneneſs, and Diſſoluteneſs of Manners.*

*Give us Leave, Sir, to add our moſt ardent Prayers to God, that he would extend your Majeſty's Days to the longeſt Period of human Life; that he would bleſs and proſper all the Branches of your Royal Family; and that, under a Line of Princes deſcended from yourſelf, this Nation may be as ſecure, in future Times, from the Miſchiefs of Licentiouſneſs, as it has been, under your Majeſty's auſpicious Government, from the Danger of Oppreſſion.*

*His Majeſty's Anſwer to the Addreſs of the Convocation of Canterbury.*

My Lords, and the reſt of the Clergy,

*I THANK you for this very dutiful and affectionate Addreſs. The Zeal you expreſs againſt the Increaſe of Immorality and the Publication of impious Writings is highly commendable, and gives me great Satisfaction.*

*It ſhall be my conſtant Care to diſcourage Licentiouſneſs and Infidelity, to ſupport the Church of England as by Law eſtabliſhed, and to protect all my Subjects in the full Enjoyment of their Rights both religious and civil.*

LONDON, *November* 23.

THE Elizabeth, Dare, bound from Rotterdam to Southampton, which was ſaid to have been loſt on the Kentiſh Knock, is ſafely arrived at Graveſend. She was viſited on the Kentiſh Coaſt by ſome of the Officers of the Cuſtoms, who found no living Creature on Board, nor any Proviſions, except a Keg of Holland Geneva in the Cabbin; and on ſearching further, they found that the whole Cargo conſiſted of white Sand, being ſuch Ballaſt as is commonly taken in at Dunkirk; and that the Veſſel was very leaky, but that the Leaks proceeded from two Auger-Holes bored in her Sides about the Surface of the Water. Having ſtopped the Holes, they worked the Pumps, and brought the Ship up to Graveſend. The Maſter, we hear has been ſtopped and ſecured at the Inſurance Office, where he called laſt Saturday to ſettle the Account of his Loſs (not doubting but the Veſſel went to the Bottom) and being carried before Sir Charles Aſgill, Knt. was committed to the Poultry Compter, on the Oath of William Mitchelſon, the Mate, and James Marſh, a Boy, on Suſpicion of cauſing the ſaid Veſſel to be ſunk with a felonious Intent.

*December* 2. Thomas Keener, a Soldier, was ſhot for Deſertion in Hyde-Park.

*December* 7. By Letters from Virginia dated the ſecond of October, we have Advice, that Capt. Whitewell, Commander of his Majeſty's Ship Tryton, being at York Town, and from thence juſt going on board his Ship to ſail for England, one Dr. P. deſired to ſpeak a Word with him, which was a Demand of Satisfaction for ſomething the Captain had ſaid. The Captain told him he was beneath his Notice; upon which he called the Captain a Scoundrel. The Captain having no other Arms but a ſmall Stick, ſtruck the Doctor with it, who ſtept back, drew his Sword, and notwithſtanding there were not leſs than a Dozen Gentlemen preſent, ſtabb'd the Captain in ſeven Places. One Stab went two Inches and three Quarters into his Belly. The Captain, however, was out of Danger when the laſt Letters came away, and propoſed being on board his Ship in eight or ten Days.

On the 23d paſt was carried into Kinſale in Ireland, by Capt. Felden's Men, the Nancy of Cork (which was ſeized at Sea) Michael Harrington, Maſter, from Dunkirk, with Tobacco and Tea. The Cargo is reckoned worth Six hundred Pounds. This is the third Time this Sloop has been ſeized and carried into Kinſale.

A French Ship, Name unknown, bound for Guiney, is taken by a Sallee Cruizer.

*December* 10. When Individuals, either from the Pulpit or the Preſs, inveigh againſt the Iniquity of the Times, and point out the dreadful Conſequences of the Depravity of this Age, with reſpect to our temporal as well as ſpiritual Intereſts; it is the common Cant with Men of a certain Caſt to ſay, that the Preacher is an Enthuſiaſt, or the Writer is out of Humour with the Miniſtry, or labours under that dreadful Diſtemper, an empty Pocket, than which nothing operates ſo powerfully in producing ſcandalous Invectives and gloomy Reflections from a ſplenetic, peeviſh Mind.

But what can ſuch empty, inconſiderate People ſay, when they find ſo learned and venerable a Body as the Convocation of the Province of Canterbury, addreſſing his Majeſty in the ſame Strain, and thereby confirming the Reflections of Individuals? "We ſee and lament the Depravity of "our Times, (ſays the Convocation) evidenced "*beyond all former* Examples, not only by *flagitious* "Actions, but by the Publication of Writings, "which ſtrike at the very *Vitals* of all Religion, "and ſhake the *Foundations* of Civil Government." Such an Aſſembly may, at leaſt, be *ſuppoſed* to know the paſt and preſent State of the Nation; but his Majeſty puts it out of Diſpute, that their Obſervation is juſt, and their Complaint well grounded, by promiſing them, that it ſhall be his conſtant Care to diſcourage Licentiouſneſs and Infidelity, *&c.*

Let us therefore concur with his Majeſty in this abſolutely neceſſary Work; let every Chriſtian Subject, whether Churchman or Diſſenter, contribute in their reſpective Stations to ſtem the Torrent of Infidelity and Immorality: Let all Ranks and Degrees remember, that without Religion and Morality no Nation ever flouriſhed long; that the moſt potent States have been deſtroyed by Luxury, Venality, Prophaneneſs, and Licentiouſneſs; but if that they *ſeek firſt the Kingdom of Heaven, and its Righteouſneſs, all Things elſe ſhall be added unto them.*

They write from Paris, that their Court having lately deſired to know the Motives of the conſiderable Armaments made in divers Ports of England, the Britiſh Court has given them an Anſwer that is far from being reliſhed by their Sovereign and his Miniſters.

Laſt Wedneſday died, at her Houſe in George-Street, Hanover Square, Mrs. Curzon, a Maiden Lady, immenſely rich, Siſter to the preſent Sir Nathaniel Curzon, Bart. She has by Will, we hear, left her eldeſt Nephew 8000 *l.* and 1000 *l.* to each of his Children; about 20,000 *l.* in different Legacies; and the Bulk of her Fortune to her Brother, Sir Nathaniel Curzon, and her youngeſt Nephew, Aſton Curzon, Eſq; whom ſhe hath appointed joint Executors. By the Death of this Lady the Poor have loſt a great Benefactreſs.

On Thurſday laſt died, the Right Hon. the Earl of Grantham, aged 92; remarkable for his great Humanity and Charity. Who has left 400 *l.* to each of the principal Hoſpitals, to which laſt Summer he alſo gave the like Sum. He gave yearly 2000 *l.* in Charities, and was the unknown Perſon who laſt Month releaſed ſo many poor Priſoners. The Hand who did ſo much good was never diſcovered till his Death.

*Dec.* 13. By a Storm of Wind, the Glaſs-Houſe at the Falcon Stairs was blown down, Boats on the River overſet, Barges, &c. damaged, and many Chimneys blown down in different Parts of the Town.

Several Cellars, Kitchens, &c. in the low Parts of Weſtminſter, were filled with Water, and conſiderable Damage done by the high Tide, occaſioned by the Land Floods, and late great Winds.

*Dec.* 14. On Tueſday died Diana Nicholas, one of the Poor belonging to St. Nicholas Acorns in Lombard-Street. In the Year 1691 ſhe was found an Infant in a Baſket, in that Pariſh, and taken Care of: When ſhe grew up ſhe proved an Idiot, and 40 Years ago was got with Child, and, being unable to make known by whom, brought a further Charge on the Pariſh: So that it appears by the Accounts ſhe has coſt the Inhabitants near 20 *l.* per Annum for 63 Years.

*Dec.* 17. Letters from Caſſel adviſe, that two Gentlemen had been ſent to the Univerſity of Gottingen, to prepare a Houſe for the Reception of the three Sons of Prince Frederick of Heſſe, and that theſe Princes were to ſet out from Caſſel in a few Days to go to Gottingen, accompanied by ſeveral Noblemen and Gentlemen of the Court of Heſſe, who were charged with the Care of their Education. Theſe Letters add, that the Landgrave their Grandfather has taken all poſſible Meaſures to cultivate the Principles they have already received, with reſpect to Religion, and to prevent their having Communication with any Perſons but ſuch as Profeſs the Proteſtant Religion.

Friday a Duel was fought in Hyde-Park, between two young Gentlemen of the Army, in which the Challenger received ſeveral Wounds, ſome of which, 'tis fear'd, will prove mortal.

By a private Letter from Holland we learn that two Veſſels belonging to the Dutch Eaſt India Company, the Wimmaram, Capt. Philippi, and the Peace, Capt. Root, and a Bark belonging to Jacatra, bound from Batavia to Surat, were attacked by the famous Pirate Angria with a great Number of flat-bottomed Veſſels, which beſet the Dutch in ſuch a Manner, that their great Guns became abſolutely uſeleſs. By this Means the Pirates made themſelves Maſters of the Peace and the Bark, but the former immediately took Fire, and burnt to the Water Edge. They now turned their united Efforts againſt the Wimmarum, which bravely reſiſted them for four whole Hours, but was at laſt overpowered. When 600 of the Pirates had got on board, the Captain, a gallant Youth of twenty ſeven Years of Age, went to the Powder-Room, and intrepidly ſetting Fire to it, blew himſelf up with his Conquerors.

Capt. Knox of the Granville, arrived at Scilly from Boſton, bound for London, on the 13th, 14th, and 15th of November met with a violent Hurricane at Sea, in which three of his Men were waſh'd overboard, and loſt, and himſelf was waſh'd overboard, but fortunately got on board again, and arrived at Scilly the 5th Inſtant, in a ſhattered Condition.

*Dec.* 19. About a Week ago the Wife of Solomon Lyon, a Jew, applied to one of the Magiſtrates of this City for a Warrant to take up her Huſband, on Pretence that her Life was in Danger, and laſt Monday Evening he was apprehended and ſent to the Poultry Compter, and on Tueſday he was carried before Sir Charles Aſgill at Guildhall, where the Wife appeared, and the chief Article that ſhe had to alledge againſt her Huſband, was, that 'ſhe had been married upwards of fourteen 'Months, and ſtill remained a pure Virgin;' but the Alderman inform'd her, that he had nothing to do with Matrimony Affairs, and diſcharged the Priſoner. [*What Chriſtian could bear this, with more Patience than this Jeweſs?*]

*Dec.* 20. Was a terrible Storm of Wind and Rain at Hollinburn in Kent, which did great Damage to the Pariſh Church, and the Houſes; a Barn was blown down, and thirty large Trees torn up by the Roots.

*December* 21. We have Advice from Conſtantinople, that on the 21ſt of October a Fire broke out at the Palace of the Grand Signior's Maſter of the Horſe, and, ſpreading from thence to Buildings contiguous, continued very fierce for above twelve Hours, in which Space of Time upwards of three Thouſand Houſes were deſtroyed, including thoſe that were pulled down in order to ſtop the Progreſs of the Flames: The Damage occaſioned by this Accident is eſtimated at about Two Millions of Crowns.

Private Letters from Conſtantinople adviſe, that the Grand Signior is taken ill; which cannot fail to give riſe to Intrigues in the Seraglio, and conſequently augment the Confuſion occaſioned by the late Earthquakes and Fires.

According to the Advices from Caſſel, the States of the Landgraviate were to meet the 17th Inſtant: It is above 100 Years ſince they have been aſſembled, in which Space of Time, they ſay, nothing occurred ſo important as the Affair which is to be the Subject of their preſent Deliberations: The Queſtion is, to maintain the Proteſtant Religion in the Landgraviate of Heſſe Caſſel; and the Meaſures which the States ſhall judge moſt conducive to this End, are to be guaranteed by divers Princes of the Empire, ſome of whom already appear very forward to become Guarantees: So that the Popiſh Project of making another Electorate, to ſtrengthen their Intereſt in Germany, is in a fair Way of being defeated.

The Sea Nymph, M'Cowan, from New England for London, is aſhore near Biddeford, the Veſſel is bulged, but Part of the Cargo will be ſaved.

On the 12th Inſtant, the Elizabeth, Matthews, from Jamaica, and the Induſtry, Stebbing, from Virginia, both for Liverpool, were drove aſhore at Ramſey in the Iſle of Man.

The Sally, Riddall, from Philadelphia for London, is put into Ilfracomb with ſome Damage.

*Dec.* 26. On Saturday laſt died at his Seat at Firle in Suſſex, the Right Hon. the Lord Viſcount Gage, who was deſcended from one of the moſt antient Families in that Country. He is ſucceeded in Title by the Hon. William Hall Gage, who alſo becomes poſſeſſed, by his Father's Death, of two very large entailed Eſtates; one from the Family of the Gages in Suſſex, and the other in Glouceſterſhire, in Right of his Mother, who was an Heireſs of the Family of the Halls, of High Meadow in that County.

By a Ship arrived at Falmouth we hear, that as they were making in for that Port from Sea, they had the melancholy Sight of two Ships in the utmoſt Diſtreſs, ſuppoſed to be the Spence Frigate, and the Olive-Br[anch]

Olive-Branch of Ramſgate, who both ſunk in the Space of a few Minutes, and every Soul on board periſhed, without being able to give them the leaſt Aſſiſtance, the Sea running ſo very high.

*December* 28. On Thurſday an Expreſs arriv'd from Paris, with an Account of the Death (by an Apoplectic Fit) of the Right Hon. William Anne Keppell, Earl of Albemarle, Viſcount Bury, Baron Aſhford of Aſhford, Groom of the Stole to his Majeſty, Lieutenant General of his Majeſty's Forces, Commander in Chief of the Forces in Scotland, and Colonel of the Second Regiment of Foot-Guards, Governor of Virginia, Knight of the Moſt Noble Order of the Garter, Great Maſter of the Order of the Bath, Embaſſador Extraordinary to the Court of France, and one of his Majeſty's Privy Council. When the Mother of this Nobleman was waited upon by his eldeſt Son, Lord Viſcount Bury, to acquaint her of the Earl's Death, ſhe ſaid, *You need not tell me that your Father is dead, for I dreamt it laſt Night.*

*Dec.* 31. A Letter from Breſt of the 30th ult. ſays, that a conſiderable Number of Forces, with warlike Stores, had ſail'd for America about the Middle of that Month; and three Tranſport Ships were then taking in Stores for the ſame Quarter.

The late Winds and Tides have had ſuch an Effect on the Banks at Romney Marſh, that the Conſequences is much apprehended.

The Weather has been very Stormy for ſome Time paſt in North and South Wales, attended with exceſſive heavy Rains, and the Floods were out ſo about Montgomery as to render travelling difficult and dangerous.

At Liverpool they have alſo had exceeding ſtormy Weather, and their Shipping were in imminent Danger.

*January* 4. The Death of the Earl of Albemarle is related as follows in the foreign Gazettes:

'The 21ſt of December, as his Excellency was 'going Home about Half an Hour paſt Eleven at 'Night, he was ſeiz'd in his Coach with an Apo 'plectic Fit. As ſoon as he reach'd his Houſe, he 'was let Blood, and other proper Remedies were 'given him. His Excellency continu'd very ill all 'Night; the next Morning (the 22d) he loſt his 'Speech, and ſeem'd to be ſenſeleſs till Six 'o'Clock in the Evening, when he expir'd. 'Some Hours after they open'd him, and as they 'found in his Stomach a Muſhroom quite whole, 'it is not doubted but this indigeſted Thing was 'the principal Cauſe of his Death.'

The Hon. William Pitt, Eſq; Paymaſter General of his Majeſty's Forces, has been pleaſed to appoint Abraham Mortier, Eſq; and William Johnſton, Eſq; Deputy Paymaſters of the Forces on the Expedition to North America.

William Lyttleton, Eſq; Brother to the Hon. Sir George Lyttleton, Bart. and Member of Parliament for Bewdley in Worceſterſhire, is appointed Governor of South-Carolina, in the room of James Glen, Eſq;

*Edinburgh, Dec.* 17. The Cathcart, Buchanan, from Virginia for Grenock, is loſt off of the Iſle of Arran. She went aſhore Yeſterday ſe'nnight, about Four in the Morning, at Paddo, on the South End of the Iſle. The Captain and Crew are ſav'd, but the Ship and Cargo are entirely loſt. They had four of their Hands waſh'd overboard in their Paſſage.

*Falmouth, December* 24. The Loyd, Captain Wallace, from Liverpool for Virginia, was towed into this Harbour on Thurſday the 19th, by the Robert and Anne, Capt. Hale, who met with her at Sea in great Diſtreſs. On Friday the 13th Inſtant at eight o'Clock in the Morning, about 60 Leagues to the Weſtward of Scilly, as ſhe was lying to, a Sea broke over her, and carried away her Main-maſt by the board, her Mizzen-maſt and Fore-yard, her Binnacle, and at the ſame Time ſtove in her Upper Deck. She had fourteen Paſſengers on Board, one of whom happened to be upon Deck with two of the Seamen at the Time of the Accident. They were all waſhed over-board, the Seamen recovered the Veſſel, but the Paſſenger was loſt. Another Paſſenger who was lying in his Hammock at the ſame Time, was cruſhed to Death by the Deck, and jammed in, in ſuch a Manner that there was no Way of getting him out but by cutting away the Plank. And another that lay along-ſide of him was hurt in the Hand greatly. The Boy belonging to the Cabbin was bruiſed terribly, but is very well recovered. One of her Pumps was carried away at the ſame Time; and what added to their Misfortune, was, ſhe had eight Feet Water in her Hold; the Crew were greatly fatigued with Pumping and Bailing, in Order to clear her. Her Cargo conſiſted of Fifty Ton of Salt and dry Goods. They ſaw one Veſſel before this that towed her in, and made ſeveral Signals of Diſtreſs, but they did not come to their Aſſiſtance. I went to ſee her as ſhe lay in our Pier, and think a more diſmal Wreck was never ſeen, that reached any Harbour.

*HALIFAX, January* 4.

On Thurſday laſt died here, Major Ezekiel Gilman, after about five Weeks Illneſs of the Dropſy. He was Captain of a Company of the New-England Forces at the Reduction of Louiſburg, where he acquired great Eſteem as a gallant Officer. [*The Names of all thoſe brave Heroes, ought to be handed down to Poſterity with Honour.*]

WILLIAMSBURG.

February 21. *On Monday the 13th of January, in Lat.* 32 47 *N. Long.* 53. *Weſt from London, was met with, and ſpoke, the Grantham, of, and from New London, for Glaſgow; who, in a violent Gale of Wind, on New-Year's Day, had the Misfortune to loſe their Captain, one Miller, as alſo their Fore maſt, Boat, Head, Windlaſs, Camboose, Companion, Quarter Pieces, &c. She was then commanded by the Mate, who was determined to bear away for the Weſt Indies.*

*Early laſt Wedneſday Morning Mrs. Anne Pattiſon, of this City, was burnt to Death in a moſt miſerable Manner; it is ſuppoſed ſhe was much in Liquor, and the Fire catching hold of her Cloaths ſhe had not Power to extinguiſh it. The Coroner's Inqueſt brought in their Verdict,* Accidental Death.

February 28. *The Three Ships of War arrived at Hampton, are the Centurion, Commodore Keppel, the Norwich, the Honourable Capt. Barrington, and the Syren, Capt. Proby; in the Norwich came Paſſengers, the Honourable Major General Edward Braddock, Commander of all the Forces in North-America; Capt. Orme, Aid de Camp, and Mr. Shirley, Secretary, who came to this City laſt Sunday, where they wait the Arrival of the Forces, who are every Day expected.*

*From Hampton we are adviſed that two French Men of War have lately been ſeen off our Coaſt; and it is ſaid that the Garland, Capt. Arbuthnott, and the Gibraltar, Capt. Spry, are ordered out in Search of them.*

ANNAPOLIS.

*The Honourable* GEORGE PLATER, *Eſq; is appointed Secretary of this Province, in the Room of the Honourable* EDMUND JENINGS, *Eſq; now in* England, *who has reſign'd. And,*

*The Honourable* WILLIAM GOLDSBOROUGH, *Eſq; is appointed and ſworn one of his Lordſhip's Honourable Council of State in this Province.*

*We are informed by Mr.* Middleton, *who came in this Morning from* Virginia, *that the Fleet from* Ireland *with the Forces, are all arrived except the* Severn, *Capt.* Rawlings, *who had been ſpoke with, and was every Day expected. They had* 7 *and* 8 *Weeks Paſſage from* Cork, *and are arrived in good Health; the two Regiments will be compleat* 700 *each, when* Rawlings *arrives.*

*Laſt Thurſday, at our County Court, a Negro Fellow was convicted of murdering his Overſeer, one* Price, *a few Weeks ago, in the lower Part of this County.*

*At the ſame Court one* Edward Vinn, *was convicted of ſtealing a Grind-Stone, for which he ſtood in the Pillory, and receiv'd* 30 *Laſhes at the Whipping Poſt well laid on, which convinced him of his having had a* hard *Bargain. And,*

Penelope Houſe, *was twice whipp'd, and twice ſtood in the Pillory, for Shop-lifting.*

*Yeſterday arrived here from* Briſtol, *the* Betſey, *Capt.* Edward Scott, *with* 51 *Indented Servants.*

*Capt.* Henry Carroll, *in a Ship of Mr.* Perkins's, *is arrived in* Patuxent, *from* London.


FRESH LEMONS, which have been but about Six Weeks from *Liſbon*, to be Sold at 5 *s.* a Dozen, by

*Samuel Middleton.*

THE Subſcribers living near *Upper-Marlborough*, in *Prince George's* County, carry on the Buſineſs of STAY-MAKING in the neateſt and beſt Manner, and after the neweſt Faſhion, they having Variety of all Neceſſaries for carrying on the ſame. And all Perſons who are in want of any, may depend upon being ſerved with all Expedition, and at the cheapeſt Rates, by

*William* and *Colmore Beanes.*

ANY Gentleman who wants to employ a Clerk, well acquainted with Merchants Accounts, and other Writings, may hear where to be ſupplied, by applying to the Printer hereof.

FOUND in the Poſſeſſion of *Penelope Houſe*, (who has been twice Whipp'd and Pillory'd for Shop-lifting), and committed to the Sheriff's Cuſtody, by Order of Court, as they are ſuppoſed to be ſtolen, the following Things, viz. Two Pieces of black Lace, ſome white Lace, one fine Cambrick Apron, three Yards of Ribbon, one Pair of plain Ruffles, one lac'd Mobb, one Pair of white Stone Ear rings with Drops, one Gold Ring with Stones, and one Velvet Hood.

Whoever has loſt any ſuch Things, may view them at the Sheriff's Office, in *Annapolis.*

TEN PISTOLES REWARD.

*Kent* County, *Maryland, March* 19, 1755.

WHEREAS there were ſeveral Advertiſements, (ſome of which were printed, and others of the ſame Signification written), diſpers'd through this Province, deſcribing, and offering a Reward of Two Piſtoles, *&c.* for taking up a Servant Man, named *James Francis*, and a Mulatto Man Slave call'd *Toby*, both belonging to the Subſcriber, and ran away on the 11th Inſtant: And whereas it has been diſcover'd ſince the Publiſhing of the ſaid Advertiſements, that they carried with them many more Things than is therein deſcribed, I do hereby again and farther give Notice, that the white Man, *James Francis*, is aged about 21 Years, his Stature near five Feet and an half, ſlender bodied, with a ſmooth Face, almoſt beardleſs, born in *England*, and bred a Farmer. The Mulatto is a luſty, well-ſet Country born Slave, with a great Noſe, wide Noſtrils, full mouth'd, many Pimples in his Face, very ſlow in Speech, he is a tolerable good Cooper and Houſe-Carpenter, and no doubt will endeavour to paſs for a Free-Man: Each hath a Felt Hat, Country Cloth Veſt and Breeches, and Yarn Stockings; one of them has a light colour'd looſe Coat of Whitney or Duffel: The white Man a dark cloſe bodied Coat, a ſtriped ſhort Veſt of Everlaſting, another of blue Fearnothing, with other Cloaths. The Slave has alſo many other more valuable Garments; they took with them likewiſe a Gun, Powder and Shot, and are ſuppos'd either to croſs, or go down the Bay in a Pettiauger.

Whoever brings the ſaid Servant and Slave to the Subſcriber, on the Mouth of *Cheſter* River, or to *Thomas Ringgold* at *Cheſter-Town*, ſhall have for a Reward Ten Piſtoles, and all reaſonable Charges in taking and ſecuring the ſaid Servant and Slave, paid by

*James Ringgold.*

THAT *this Slave ſhou'd run away and attempt getting his Liberty, is very alarming, as he has been always too kindly uſed, if any Thing, by his Maſter, and one in whom his Maſter has put great Confidence, and depended on him to overlook the reſt of his Slaves, and he had no kind of Provocation to go off. It ſeems to be the Intereſt, at leaſt of every Gentleman that has Slaves, to be active in the beginning of theſe Attempts, for whilſt we have the* French *ſuch near Neighbours, we ſhall not have the leaſt Security in that kind of Property. I ſhould be greatly obliged to any Gentleman that ſhall hear of theſe Fellows, to endeavour to get certain Intelligence which Way they have taken, and to inform me of it by Expreſs, and alſo to employ ſome active Perſon or Perſons immediately to take their Track and purſue them and ſecure them, and I will thankfully acknowledge the Favour, and immediately anſwer the Expence attending it.*

*Thomas Ringgold.*

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Babbs*, living at the Head of *Severn*, on *Elk-Ridge* Road, a Dark Bay Mare, branded on the near Shoulder with a Horſe Shoe, and on the near Buttock I S, has a Blaze in her Face, and was ſhod before; and had on a ſmall Bell.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mr. *Joſeph Cowman*, near *Weſt River*, in *Anne Arundel* County, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Red Steer, about 5 Years old, mark'd with two Crops, a Slit in the left Ear, and an under bit out of the right, with a Star in his Forehead.

The Owner may have him again, (on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

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Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *James Pearre, junr.* near *Bladensburg*, taken up as a Stray, a Sorrel Mare, branded on the near Shoulder thus L D, is about 12 Hands high, has a Blaze in her Face, a flaxen Mane and Tail, and her fore Feet white.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

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HAVING already ſundry Times advertiſed in this *Gazette*, of which but little Notice has been taken; I find myſelf obliged *once more*, to give public Notice, That all Perſons on the Weſtern Shore of *Maryland* indebted to BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Eſq; and Company, of *Philadelphia*, are deſired to make ſpeedy Payment; and that Attendance will be given at Mr. *Middleton's* in *Annapolis*, the firſt Week in the Provincial Court in *May* next, to receive the ſame.

*William Young.*

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*To be SOLD, by the Subſcriber, to the higheſt Bidder, on Monday the 7th Day of* April, *for good Bills of Exchange, Sterling, or Paper Money,*

A VERY good Water-Mill, on the Head of *South* River, attended with a plentiful Stream of Water, is well ſituated for a Merchant Mill, and within nine Miles of the City of *Annapolis*; on the Land of ſaid Mill there is a good new Dwelling-Houſe, 21 Feet by 16, Plank Floor, and a good Stone Chimney to it, with two other convenient Houſes. *Jonathan Rawlings.*

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JONATHAN RAWLINGS,

*At the Houſe lately kept by* Anthony Smith, *about ſeven Miles from* London Town, *on the Road leading to* Calvert *and* St. Mary's *Counties*,

KEEPS TAVERN, where all Gentlemen Travellers may be well accommodated, and meet with good Entertainment and Uſage, from

*Their humble Servant,*

*Jonathan Rawlings.*

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RAN away from the Subſcriber, living on *Kent-Iſland*, a Servant Man, named *Thomas Johnſon*, about 24 Years of Age: Had on when he went away, a Felt Hat, a Cotton Cap, a Fearnothing Great Coat with Horn Buttons, a green Jacket, a Pair of green Everlaſting Breeches, a Pair of old Sailor's Trowſers, a Pair of ribb'd Stockings, and Double Chanell'd Pumps, with Braſs Buckles. It is ſuppoſed he went away with a Servant Man named *John Cameron*, and that they are gone towards *St. Mary's* County.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and ſecures him ſo that his Maſter may get him again, ſhall have Three Piſtoles Reward, paid by

*Daniel Meconekin.*

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Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That, there is at the Plantation of *Joſeph Lazear*, living in *Frederick* County, on *Fountain-Rock Marſh*, near *Conocoocheague*, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall bright Bay Mare, a natural Pacer, branded on the near Side, thus WC, has ſeveral Saddle Spots, and is ſhod before.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

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Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Owen*, living near the Head of *Great Seneca*, in *Frederick* County, a middle ſiz'd Sorrel Horſe, branded on the near Shoulder with an I, has a ſmall Blaze in his Face, and ſome Saddle Spots.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property and paying Charges.

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*To be LET by the Subſcriber, at* Elk Ridge *Landing, and within One Hundred Yards of the Wharf,*

A GOOD Store-Houſe, 24 by 16, wherein Mr. *Thomas Dorſey* formerly kept Store, under which will be built a good Cellar early this Spring; adjacent to which is a good Salt-Houſe. For Terms apply to

3 *Baſil Dorſey.*

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THE *Ship Tavern* in *Annapolis* (lately kept by Mrs. *Marriott*, deceaſed), is ſtill kept by her Daughter, who will always be glad to oblige her Mother's Cuſtomers, or Others. 3

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COMMITTED to my Cuſtody, on Suſpicion of being a Runaway, *James Smith*, a *Scotchman*, who denies he has any Maſter, ſays he has lived in *Virginia* 13 Years, and came from thence for fear of being preſs'd: He is about 5 Feet 3 or 4 Inches high, wears his own Hair, which is black, and is dreſſed in dark colour'd Cloaths.

His Maſter may have him again on Application, paying the Priſon Fees, and the Charge of this Advertiſement. *John Raitt*, Sheriff

X 3 of *Anne-Arundel* County.

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*February* 27, 1755.

ALL Perſons indebted to *Richard Gildart*, Eſq; and Sons, of *Liverpool*, Merchants, for Dealings with their ſeveral Factors within this Province, are deſired to ſettle their reſpective Accounts with, and pay the Ballances due to, the Subſcriber, now Agent to the ſaid Company, at *Oxford*, before the firſt Day of *July* next, otherwiſe they may expect to be dealt with, for Recovery thereof, as the Laws, in that Caſe made and provided, direct: And all Perſons who have any Demands on the ſaid Company, are deſired, in that Time, to apply for Payment to

4 *Thomas Brereton.*

By whom is to be Sold, at *Oxford*, a large Aſſortment of *European* GOODS, on reaſonable Terms.

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NOTICE is hereby given, That the Subſcriber will give conſtant Attendance at his Office, in *Annapolis*, on every Wedneſday and Thurſday before the Tenth of *April* next, to receive all ſuch Money from the Inhabitants of this County as is due from them for Public Levies, or on any other Account, to

*Their humble Servant,*

*John Raitt*, Sheriff of *Anne-Arundel* County.

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ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of Mrs. *Hannah Benſon*, late of *Anne-Arundel* County, who deceaſed in the Year 1752, are deſired to make immediate Payments: And thoſe who have any juſt Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate, are deſired to bring in their Accounts, that they may be adjuſted, by

X6 *Henry Griffith*, Adminiſtrator.

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RAN away from the Subſcriber, the 20th of *November* laſt, living on *Patuxent* River, near *Upper Marlborough*, in *Prince George's* County, a dark Mulatto Man, named *Sam*, about 5 Feet 9 or 10 Inches high, about 30 Years of Age, a Carpenter by Trade, has a down Look, and lo / Voice. Had on when he went away, a new Cotton Jacket and Breeches, and Oſnabrigs Shirt; he is ſuppoſed to have taken with him, one Cotton Coat lined with blue, one red Waiſtcoat and Breeches, one blue Silk Coat, one light Cloth Coat, ſome fine Shirts, and one or two good Hats. He is ſuppoſed to be lurking in *Charles* County, near *Bryan-Town*, where a Mulatto Woman lives, whom he has for ſome Time called his Wife; but as he is an artful Fellow, and can read and write, it is probable he may endeavour to make his Eſcape out of the Province.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Runaway, and ſecures him ſo as his Maſter may get him again, ſhall have, if taken out of this Province, Three Pounds; and if within this Province, Forty Shillings, beſides what the Law allows, paid by

*William Digges*, junior.

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ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of Mr. *Stephen Onion*, late of *Baltimore* County, Iron-Maſter, deceaſed, are hereby deſired to come forthwith and diſcharge their reſpective Ballances, to prevent further Trouble: And all Perſons who have any Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate, are deſired to bring them in, that they may be paid, by

*Deborah Onion*, Executrix.

Said Mrs. *Onion* hath, in *Joppa* Town, to Let at a reaſonable Rate, a good Dwelling-Houſe, Kitchen, and Ground for a Garden, and Fire-Wood for the Premiſes.

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FINE SALT, juſt imported from *Liverpool*, in the Ship *Unity*, Captain *Birch*, to be Sold cheap for Paper Money or Bills of Exchange, at *Oxford*, by Wholeſale.

*Henry Callifter.*

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*February* 20, 1755.

RAN away on Monday the 10th of this Inſtant *February*, a likely, young, dark, Mulatto Fellow, named *Peter*: Had on when he went away, a Felt Hat, a Country Cloth Waiſtcoat and Breeches ſtriped, a Pair of Leather Breeches and white Yarn Stockings.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Fellow, and ſecures him ſo that his Maſter may have him again, ſhall be rewarded with One Piſtole, beſides what the Law allows. *Henry Gaſſaway.*

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*Baltimore* County, *January* 25, 1755.

BROKE out of the County Goal, laſt Night, at *Joppa*, *John Tucker*, a Ship-Carpenter, about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, has loſt ſome of his fore Teeth, he bends forward when walking, and is about 45 Years of Age.

Whoever apprehends the ſaid *Tucker*, and brings him to my Goal, ſhall have FOUR PISTOLES Reward, if taken in the County; if taken out of the County, FIVE PISTOLES Reward, and reaſonable Charges, paid by

*William Young*, Sheriff.

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*January* 29, 1755.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living at *Weſt River*, on the 26th of this Inſtant, an Indented Servant Man, named *Thomas Muſprate*, born in *Briſtol*, a Sadler by Trade, about 5 Feet 8 Inches high, of a black Complexion, has ſhort black Hair, and about 30 Years of Age. He had on a Cotton Jacket and Trowſers, an Oſnabrigs Shirt, a blue Pea Jacket, and an old Felt Hat.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and ſecures him in any Goal, ſo that he may be had again, ſhall have, if taken in the County, One Piſtole beſides what the Law allows, and if taken out of the County, Two Piſtoles, beſides what the Law allows.

*Stephen Steward.*

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*January* 7, 1755.

THE Commiſſioners of the Paper Currency Office, have, by frequent Advertiſements, deſired the Debtors to that Office to come and pay the Intereſt due on their Bonds, which they have not hitherto complied with: Therefore they now inform all concerned, that they have put ſeveral Bonds in Suit, and that they will continue to do ſo, in every Inſtance, until all the Intereſt Money, due to the ſaid Office, is paid in.

*Signed* per *Order of the Commiſſioners*,

*Richard Dorſey*,
Clerk Paper Currency Office.

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THE Executor of the late Capt. *Thomas Aſkew*, having conſtituted me the Subſcriber his Attorney in Fact, for ſettling his Affairs in this Province; this is to deſire all Perſons who have any Demands on the ſaid *Aſkew's* Eſtate, to bring in their Accounts, that they may be diſcharged: And thoſe indebted are requeſted to make ſpeedy Payments, to prevent Expence to themſelves, and Trouble to *Lancelot Jacques.*

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*ANNAPOLIS:* Printed by JONAS GREEN, POST-MASTER, at his OFFICE in *Charles-ſtreet*; by whom all Perſons may be ſupplied with this PAPER; and where ADVERTISEMENTS of a moderate Length are taken in and inſerted for Five Shillings the firſt Week, and a Shilling *per* Week after for Continuance: And BOOK-BINDING is performed in the neateſt Manner.